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3. (Amended) The <u>roll of tape of claim [1] 10</u> wherein the line of perforations that defines the trailing end of the outermost sheet prevents the outermost sheet from adhering tightly to itself to reduce instances of the tape tearing in a downweb direction nonparallel to the line of perforations.

- 4. (Amended) The <u>roll of</u> tape of claim 3 wherein at least some of the perforations comprise folded over material with adhesive facing down, away from the outer sheets to create a slightly higher detackified area.
- 5. (Amended) The <u>roll of</u> tape of claim [1] 10 wherein each sheet, compared to the adjacent sheet closer to the first longitudinal end, is longer by an amount equal to π times twice the thickness of the tape plus a selected overlap length.
- 6. (Amended) The <u>roll of</u> tape of claim 5 wherein the overlap length is no more than 1.270 cm (0.500 in).
- 7. (Amended) The <u>roll of tape of claim [1] 10</u> wherein the plurality of lines of perforations extend across the entire width of the tape from the first side edge to the second side edge.
- 8. (Amended) The <u>roll of tape of claim [1] 10</u> wherein the backing layer comprises at least one of paper and plastic.
- 9. (Amended) The <u>roll of tape of claim [1] 10</u> which is a lint removal tape.

